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IMPAIRED REPLICATION
USING A VECTOR EXPRESSING
TELOMERASE REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE

Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: J. Eric Angell, Ph.D.

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria VA 22313

Dear Sir,

This amendment is in response to the final Office Action mailed March 6, 2007. The amendment is accompanied by a request for extension of time for responding (2 months), a request for continued examination (RCE), and a supplemental Information Disclosure Statement.

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